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Dear Sirs and Madames,

It is clear that the further deregulation of the mass media that you are now considering will result in the increased concentration of political power held by the very few.

Restrictions on market domination of radio, television and print outlets are the last barrier standing in the way of absolute monopoly of the airwaves and presses of our country. The media marketplace free of government interference demanded by a few trans-national media conglomerates should not be achieved at the cost of a truly free and vital press. The American public needs to hear more voices, not fewer.

Please, do your duty to American citizens, whose government appointed you to your position of responsibility, and move to preserve what small diversity remains in our media today.

Do not move to further deregulate.

Very truly yours,

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